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Public Encouraged to Support and Visit Libraries During National Library Week, April 10-16

SAN DIEGO – April 10-16 is National Library Week, a time to celebrate the contributions of libraries, librarians and library workers to their schools, campuses and communities.

"Books. Magazines. Videos. CDs. Databases. Internet access. You name it. The City of San Diego Public Library has something for everyone," said City Library Director Anna Tatár.

As part of this annual event, the San Diego Public Library will be hosting a variety of programs and events.

National Library Week 2005 marks the fifth year of The Campaign for America's Libraries, a multi-year public education campaign sponsored by the ALA and libraries across the country to speak loudly and clearly about the value of libraries and librarians in the 21st century. More than 20,000 libraries in all 50 states are being reached by @ your library®, The Campaign for America's Libraries.

"National Library Week is not only a great time to see what's new @ your library but also a time to stand up and speak out as a library advocate," added Tatár. "There are lots of opportunities to help the San Diego Public Library – including volunteering at your local library, contributing funds, joining a Friends of the Library group, participating in book sales and helping promote Library programs.

For more information about National Library Week and about becoming a library advocate, visit your local library or visit the Library on the City's Web site at http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/.

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The City of San Diego Public Library – Your Link to the Past and Gateway to the Future



National Library Week, April 10-16 Schedule of Events

The City of San Diego Public Library invites all San Diegans to check out their local library during National Library Week, April 10-16. Below is a list of some of the major events planned at City libraries during the week. In addition, several libraries have special exhibits. For more detailed information, contact your local library or visit the Library on the City's Web site at http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library/.

SUNDAY APRIL 10

- Art Exhibit Reception A special reception for a new art exhibit, "Poesía Diaria/Everyday Poetry," will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. "Poesía Diaria/Everyday Poetry," an art installation, poetry translation project, and other events related to the fate of Argentina's 30,000 "Disappeared," will open April 3 and continue though May 28. The creator of "Poesía Diaria/Everyday Poetry" is Virginia Gianonni, a well-known journalist and artist whose dedication to human rights issues and Argentina's "Disappeared" has become paramount. Mission Valley Branch Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway, San Diego, 858-573-5007. Free.
- <u>Book Sale</u> Find great bargains on used books. The Central Library's book sales are run by the Friends of the Central Library every Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The group is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation and will be happy to receive your tax-deductible donations of new and used books, records, tapes, CDs, etc. to help maintain the book sales. Central Library, 820 E St., San Diego, 619-236-5800.
- <u>Live Concert</u> The Library's free Winter/Spring Concert Series presents a musical program with Marylou Rector, soprano; Janet Mathews, viola; and Ilana Mysior, piano, at 2:30 p.m. They will perform works by Mozart, Brahms, Debussy, Donizetti, Barber and Uhl. Central Library, 820 E St., San Diego, 619-236-5800. Free.
- California Labor History Exhibit "California's Labor History" combines reproductions of artwork, historic photographs and text to explore 11 crucial events in California labor history. Topics include: Native American labor in the Missions, the Gold Rush, the General Strike of 1934 and the United Farm Workers Union Movement events that still impact California workers today. The exhibit began Feb. 14 and continues through April 11. Central Library, 820 E St., San Diego, 619-236-5800. Free.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12

• <u>Opera Preview</u> – As part of the Library's Opera Preview Series, Dr. Ron Shaheen will lecture on the San Diego Opera's upcoming production of Samuel Barber's "Vanessa" at 2 p.m. The entertaining presentations can help you prepare for the production and integrate both background and plot synopses of the repertoire. Central Library, 820 E St., 619-236-5800. Free.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

• <u>9-1-1 Presentation</u> – Staff from the City's Emergency Medical Services will discuss the 9-1-1 process from 1 to 2:30 p.m. They will cover such things as how patient routing is decided, why they ask the questions they do, what you need to know when you call. Registration is required for this program. Please call the Library to register. Point Loma/Hervey Branch Library, 3701 Voltaire St., San Diego, 619-531-1539. Free.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13 (cont.)

- <u>Tax Assistance</u> Library volunteers will provide assistance in preparing your taxes from 5 to 8 p.m. Please bring your last year's tax forms, your 2004 W-2 forms, and other pertinent documents. Please call the Library to register. Valencia Park/Malcolm X Branch Library, 5148 Market St., 619-527-3405 Free
- <u>Author Event</u> Mystery author Jeff Sherratt will sign and discuss his new book, "One, Two & Even" at 6:30 p.m. Sherratt has crafted a series of suspenseful books, featuring Jimmy O'Brien an ex-cop and defense attorney. Central Library, 820 E St., San Diego, 619-236-5800. Free.
- <u>Homework Assistance</u> Volunteer San Diego provides homework assistance in math, reading, reports and other daily assignments for students, grades K-12. All elementary school children must be accompanied by an adult. Sign up at the Library Circulation Desk to obtain priority assistance. Mira Mesa Branch Library, 8405 New Salem St., San Diego, 858-538-8165. Free.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

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SATURDAY, APRIL 16

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- Free Medical Seminar: Beyond the Prescription Label

 —This seminar will inform you about interactions between your prescription drugs and over-the-counter medications; how your medication can react with certain foods; drug side effects; and questions you should ask your pharmacist. The event is sponsored by Walgreens and the American Library Association. Mira Mesa Branch Library, 8405 New Salem St., San Diego, 858-538-8165. Free.

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